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Statement of Congressman Mike Honda
U.S. Attacks on Terrorist Targets Within Afghanistan

I support the ongoing military strikes against the Taliban regime and the terrorist camps and installations within Afghanistan because they have been carried out in a manner consistent with what U.S. policy should be in addressing the threat of global terrorism. We must continue to strengthen our broad coalition by targeting specific installations and camps, rather than civilian populations. We must make it clear that the might of our military is not being unleashed upon any nation or any religion, but upon the network of those responsible for the attacks of September 11th and those who would attack us again. By continuing to supply large-scale humanitarian aid to those in need within Afghanistan and implementing a foreign policy that includes financial, diplomatic, humanitarian and military components, we will eventually succeed in eradicating the threat of terrorism. I am proud that our men and women in uniform are undertaking this important mission to protect our way of life with purpose and honor. Those of us who remain at home have an important mission to fulfill as well. I urge all Americans to fight against hatred and intolerance towards Arab Americans, Sikhs and others and protect our freedom by becoming voices for tolerance in their own community. By doing our part to make sure that no one in this country is ever targeted again because of how they look or how they worship, we can ensure that the freedom our troops fight to protect abroad, endures at home.

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